

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING UNIT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of anti-human trafficking units with the help of United Nations set up in various States;
- (b) the details of special features of such units in terms of training, equipment, resources etc., in dealing with anti-human trafficking; and
- (c) the details of participation of NGO in such Units?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a) & (b): Integrated Anti Human Trafficking Units (IAHTU) are being set up in the Project States of Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Goa, Maharashtra and Bihar under the two-year Project on 'Strengthening the Law Enforcement Response in India against Trafficking in Persons through Training and Capacity Building' taken up by MHA in association with UNODC. Each IAHTU envisages inclusion of representatives of Government and civil society. Financial support is being provided for the operation of these IAHTUs for the lifetime of the project. The IAHTUs are planned to address human trafficking from a holistic perspective, including rescue and post-rescue care and attention of trafficked persons, investigation and prosecution of offenders and prevention of trafficking. Till date four IAHTUs have been set up - one each at Hyderabad, Eluru and Anantpur in Andhra Pradesh and one in Goa.

(c): The IAHTUs are integrated units that represent Government agencies and NGOs. The NGOs for the IAHTUs are decided by the State Government authorities. The NGOs are envisaged to assist in the areas of prevention, detection, prosecution and rehabilitation.